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Sir:

COMMENTS ON DETERMINATION OF PATENT TERM ADJUSTMENT

Applicants are in receipt of the Determination of Patent Term Adjustment for this patent application advising of a patent term adjustment of 14 days which appears to be in error. A Request for a Three-Month Extension of Time was filed on September 4, 2003 in response to an Office Action mailed on March 7, 2003. This does not appear to have been calculated in the Patent term adjustment history.

Please confirm the issuance of a patent term adjustment of 14 days.

Respectfully submitted,

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